Closing of departments

†2951. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Expenditure Reforms Commission has expressed the possibility of savings by closing some departments;

(b) if so, the names of the departments and total annual savings likely to be made;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government have decided to utilize these departments into the profitable sectors instead of closing down these departments;

(d) if so, the final decision taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) In so far as the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting is concerned, final decision is yet to be taken by the Government.

Outstanding dues against private agencies

†2952. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of private agencies owe to the Doordarshan;

(b) if so, the amount of dues in March, 1999, March, 2000 and March, 2001, agency-wise;

(c) since when the dues are pending; and

(d) the action taken for recovering the dues, agency-wise?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Details are given in the statement.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

Details outstanding dues against defaulting agencies as on 01.04.1999, 01.04.2000, 01.04.2001 and 31.07.2001 (Rs. in Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of Agency	Outstanding as on 1.4.1999	Outstanding as on 1.4.2000	Outstanding as on 1.4.2001	Outstanding as on 31.7.2001	Since when outstanding	Action taken to recover the dues
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	AALIYA Productions	0	75	60	60	Nov. 1999	Legal case at Delhi High Court.
2.	ABCL	1765	2032	678	282	1997-98	Paying in instalments. Last instalment paid in Sept. 2001.
3.	Ad Factor Advtg.	7	7	7	0		
4.	Advance TV Network	230	248	213	213	12/98 to 3/99	Legal notice issued.
5.	Anand Advertising	140	140	140	140	1997-98	Legal notice issued.
6.	APCA	0	99	42	11	1999-2000	Paying according to plan.
7.	BY Padhya	13	13	13	0		
8.	Balaji Telefilms	0	17	140	0		
9.	BAG Films	2	43	2	0		
10.	Bidhan Advertising	22	12	11	11	1998-99	Matter being pursued with the agency.
11.	Chaitra Advertising	6	3	3	3	1998-99	Matter being pursued with the agency.

12. Cinema Vision	28	13	38	48	2000-2001	Bank Guarantee being sent for encashment. Matter being pursued with the agency.
13. Clarion Advertising	46	30	17	0		
14. Concept Advertising	156	208	188	188	1998-99	Legal notice issued.
15. Contract Advertising	42	10	10	0		
16. Copy Desk	0	3	56	45	2000-2001	Legal action being initiated. Bank Guarantee encashed.
17. Corrum Communications	17	21	45	45	1998-99	Legal notice issued.
18. Crayon Advertising	18	6	6	0		
19. Creative Eye	315	0	1341	965	Oct. 2000	Paper being finalised for legal action.
20. DAVP	28	0	0	0		
21. Dawnmod Advertising	0	421	0	0		
22. Deptt. of Post	8	0	0	0		
23. Drishti India	350	350	294	294	1997-98	Legal notice issued.
24. Enterprise Advertising	45	45	20	0		
25. Everest Advertising	56	45	20	0		

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
26.	Fame Comm.	512	0	1167	1074	Oct. 2000	Legal notice being issued. Bank Guarantee encashed.
27.	Film Craft	158	0	787	872	Oct. 2000	Business on advance payment. Matter being pursued with the agency.
28.	First Option T/F	0	0	76	45	March 2001	Payment plan obtained.
29.	Future Communications	0	28	17	11	4-8, 2000	Bank Guarantee encashed.
30.	Global Entertainment	0	0	115	93	7-12, 2000	Papers being finalised for legal action.
31.	GN Communications	0	5	25	25	Dec. 1999	Paper being finalised for legal action.
32.	Gold Video	13	0	0	0		
33.	Guruji Advertisers	0	150	90	85	Oct. 1999	Papers being finalised for legal action.
34.	HMT	17	0	0	0		
35.	HTA	350	50	50	50		Disputed.
36.	Hansa Vision	744	122	108	0		
37.	Innovision Film & TV Dis	5	25	25	25	1999-2000	Case in Mumbai High Court.
38.	Jatiyaar Pub.	34	34	25	0		

39.	Jaya Advertising	60	60	49	49	1998-99	Papers being finalised for legal action.
40.	Joslin Comm.	42	42	42	42	1997-98	Papers being finalised for legal action.
41.	Kine Scope	126	70	70	70	1999-2000	Legal notice issued.
42.	KLI	106	50	59	66	April, 2001	Rs. 50 lakhs to be adjusted against payments to be made to the company.
43.	Lehar Public Service	0	0	32	30	9-12-2000	Papers being finalised for legal action.
44.	Lintas	205	0	0	0		
45.	Maa Bozell	0	10	0	0		
46.	Madison	70	0	0	0		
47.	Magic Box	0	14	14	14	Jan., 1999	Legal notice issued.
48.	Magna Vision	108	108	108	108	1998-99	Papers being finalised for legal action.
49.	Market Movers	0	329	314	314	July, 1999	Case processed for appointment of arbitrator.
50.	Maya Entertainment	0	0	212	198	2000-2001	Legal notice issued.
51.	MBM	0	0	163	163	2000-2001	Legal notice issued.
52.	Media Asia	146	146	146	146	1997-98	Case filed in Delhi High Court. Arbitrator appointed.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
53.	Moulis Advtg.	0	0	9	3	2000-2001	Matter being pursued with agency.
54.	Mudra Comm.	55	0	0	0		
55.	Multi Channel	1800	1500	1102	1102	May, 1998	Legal notice issued. Criminal complaint being filed.
56.	National Saving Organisation	0	2	2	0		
57.	NCYP	0	61	11	11	1998-99	
58.	Neeraj Films	0	50	27	25	Dec., 1999	Legal action being taken.
59.	NFDC	5500	2800	4230	4838	2000-2001	Approx. Rs. 30.00 crores to be adjusted against payments to be made to the company.
60.	NIMBUS Comm.	870	834	612	612	1997-98	Under arbitration.
61.	NUMERO UNO	0	0	1006	956	2000-2001	Papers being finalised for legal action.
62.	PNC	212	338	224	154	1998-99	Business on advance payment. Matter being pursued with the agency.
63.	Pas International	0	30	166	52	2000-2001	Paying in instalments.
64.	Pen "A' Trait	0	4	4	0		
65.	Plus Channel	1205	1205	1205	1205	1998-99	Liquidator appointed.
66.	Prime Time Media	413	0	46	20	March, 2001	Business on advance

						payment. Matter being pursued with the agency.
67.	Prominent	172	72	10	10	Disputed.
68.	R.K. Swamy	0	0	0	0	
69.	Radha Publicity	0	19	18	18	Dec. 1999
70.	Reasonable Advtg.	0	0	60	52	March, 2000 Payment plan obtained for clearance of dues.
71.	Sagar Enterprises	178	50	816	740	Oct. 2000 Papers being finalised for legal action. Bank Guarantee encashed.
72.	Samvaad Video	0	0	0	0	
73.	Shree Madhav	0	400	1270	1270	2000-2001 1230 (Bank Guarantee sent for encashment). Legal notice issued. Criminal complaint filed.
74.	Stracon	535	0	0	0	
75.	TNE ASIA	293	0	0	0	
76.	Triton Comm.	136	150	48	37	2000-2001 Payment plan obtained for clearance of dues.
77.	Universal	88	88	73	73	June, 1998 Legal notice issued.
78.	Uranus	0	130	46	46	Nov. 1999 Legal notice issued.
79.	UTV	2289	636	43	83	March, 2001 Matter with CBI.
80.	Vigyapan	0	27	5	3	April, 2000
81.	W D Consumer	0	40	99	55	Feb. 2000 Amount being adjusted

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
							from payments to be made by Doordarshan to the company.
82.	World Media	70	38	132	132	Nov. 2000	Legal notice issued.
83.	Worldcom M/M	54	58	58	58	1999-2000	Legal notice issued.
84.	B4U Multimedia	0	0	245	315	2000-2001	2.37 crore disputed case going for arbitration.
85.	Nine Network	0	0	0	558	July, 2001	Matter being pursued with the agency.
	TOTAL :	19860	13616	18605	18213		